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) Filing Date: April 26, 2001  
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) Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned  
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Examiner Name: Not Yet Assigned

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

AQUEOUS COMPOSITION USEFUL FOR STABILIZING AND TEXTURIZING DAIRY PRODUCTS AND PROCESS FOR PREPARING THE SAME

(Title of Invention)

the specification of which:

(X) is attached hereto, or

( ) was filed by an authorized person on my behalf on \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)  
as United States Application Number \_\_\_\_\_  
or PCT International Application Number \_\_\_\_\_,  
and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).  
(Date)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

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I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119(a)-(d) or §365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or §365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below, and I have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or any PCT international application, on this invention filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns and having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application Number(s)	Country	Foreign Filing Date	Priority Not Claimed	Certified Copy Attached Yes	Certified Copy Attached No
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Provisional Application  
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120, of any prior United States application(s), or under §365(c) of any PCT international application(s) designating the United States of America, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT international application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known by me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56, which became available between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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Additional U.S. or PCT international application numbers are listed on a supplemental priority data sheet attached hereto.

As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the practitioners associated with Customer Number 22242, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, and request that all correspondence and telephone calls in respect to this application be directed to FITCH, EVEN, TABIN & FLANNERY, Suite 1600, 120 South LaSalle

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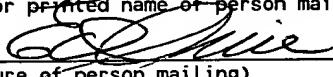
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Dear Sir:

The undersigned attorney-of-record in the above-identified  
patent application hereby appoints the following as Associate Attorneys  
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